

**Easterling, Deborah**

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**From:** Easterling, Deborah  
**Sent:** Friday, January 24, 2020 10:52 AM  
**To:** Huffman, Jennifer  
**Subject:** RE: [External] Letter of Protest

Dear Ms. Huffman,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of Protest/Comments to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Your Letter of Protest/Comments will be placed in the Protest File of the Docket listed below and on the Commission's Website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov).

- Docket No. 2019-281-S - Application of Palmetto Utilities, Incorporated for Adjustment (Increase) of Rates and Charges, Terms and Conditions, for Sewer Service Provided to Customers in Its Richland and Kershaw County Service Areas

A Protestant is an individual objecting on the ground of private or public interest to the approval of an Application, Petition, Motion or other matters which the Commission may have under consideration. A Protestant may offer sworn testimony but cannot cross-examine witnesses offered by other parties.

According to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, filing a Protest does not make you a Party of Record. A Protestant desiring to become an Intervenor (i.e., a Party of Record) in a proceeding before the Commission may file a Petition for Intervention within the time prescribed by the Commission.

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Docket No. 2019-281-S - Application of Palmetto Utilities, Incorporated for Adjustment (Increase) of Rates and Charges, Terms and Conditions, for Sewer Service Provided to Customers in Its Richland and Kershaw County Service Areas <https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Dockets/Detail/117238>

If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling  
 Executive Assistant  
 803-896-5133

**From:** Huffman, Jennifer  
**Sent:** Friday, January 24, 2020 10:01 AM  
**To:** PSC\_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov>  
**Subject:** [External] Letter of Protest

Good morning,

Please see attached letter of protest regarding Docket No. 2019-281-S.

Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
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Letter of Protest  
Docket No. 2019-281-S

Date: \* 01/24/2020

Protestant Information:

Name \* Jennifer A. Huffman  
Mailing Address \*  
City, State Zip \* Columbia SC Phone \*  
E-mail

1. What is your connection or interest in this case? \* For example, are you a customer of the Company that is the subject of this pending proceeding? (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

I am a customer of Palmetto Utilities, and have been for the last 6 years.

2. Please give a concise statement of your protest. \* (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

I am a single mother of three children, one of whom is a full-time college student. I have a full time job at a bank here in Columbia, and I can barely make ends meet right now. When I first started as a customer of Palmetto Utilities 6 years ago, I was paying \$33 a month for the sewer. Now it's up to \$52.10, and they want to raise it another \$14+. This is going to have an impact on a lot of hard-working families who are barely making it from paycheck to paycheck. Either leave the rates alone, or charge people based on their usage, because I'm sure there are larger families and single people that are paying the same amount as me. That doesn't seem to make sense. Dominion Energy, Fairfield Electric, and City of Columbia all charge for their services based on usage, why can't Palmetto Utilities do the same?

3. Do you wish to make an appearance at a hearing in this proceeding, if scheduled, and offer sworn testimony? \*

NO

Signature Required:

Jennifer A. Huffman